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DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

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In the Matter of:

Docket No. 10A-096-INS

TITAN INDEMNITY COMPANY,

CONSENT ORDER

NAIC # 13242,

Respondent.

Examiners for the Department of Insurance (the "Department") conducted a target market conduct examination of Titan Indemnity Company ("TIC"). In the Report of Target Market Conduct Examination of the Market Conduct Affairs of Titan Indemnity Company, the examiners allege that Titan Indemnity Company violated A.R.S. §§20-461, 20-462, 20-2110, and A.A.C. R20-6-801.

Titan Indemnity Company wishes to resolve this matter without formal proceedings, neither admits nor denies the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and consents to the entry of the Order.

## **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- 1. Titan Indemnity Company is authorized to transact property and casualty insurance pursuant to a Certificate of Authority issued by the Director.
- 2. The Director authorized the examiners to conduct a target market conduct examination of Titan Indemnity Company. The examination covered the time period from January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008 and concluded on April 13, 2010. Based on their findings, the examiners prepared the "Report of Target Market Conduct Examination of Titan Indemnity Company" dated December 31, 2008.
- 3. The examiners reviewed 52 of 751 private passenger automobile cancellations and 18 of 18 private passenger automobile non-renewals, cancelled or non-renewed for underwriting reasons during the time frame of the examination and

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found that TIC failed to provide a compliant Summary of Rights for 52 cancellations and 2 non-renewals.

- 4. The examiners reviewed 50 of 507 private passenger automobile total loss claim files processed by the Company during the time frame of the examination and found that TIC failed to correctly calculate and fully pay sales tax, title, registration, air quality and other fees payable in the settlement of 8 total losses.
- 5. During the review of the Company's private passenger automobile claim settlement practices, TIC resettled 8 claims resulting in total restitution to claimants of \$636.22, plus \$44.05 interest. During the review the Company also completed a self-audit of the remaining total loss claims and made additional restitution payments of \$1,659.85, plus interest of \$223.09, on 53 total loss claims.
- 6. The examiners reviewed 150 of 5,160 private passenger automobile claim files settled during the time frame of the examination and found 63 claims-related documents and/or correspondence in which the Company failed to identify the appropriate insuring company.

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

- 1. TIC violated A.R.S. §20-2110 by failing to send policyholders a compliant Summary of Rights in the event of an adverse underwriting decision.
- 2. TIC violated A.R.S §§20-461(A)(6), 20-462(A) and A.A.C. R20-6-801(H)(1)(b) by failing to correctly calculate and fully pay sales tax, title registration, air quality and other fees and interest payable in the settlement of total losses.
- 3. TIC violated A.R.S. §20-461(A)(1) by failing to identify the appropriate insuring company on written claims related documents and correspondence.

4. Grounds exist for the entry of the following Order in accordance with A.R.S. §§20-220, 20-456 and 20-2117.

## **ORDER**

# IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. Titan Indemnity Company shall:
- a. provide insureds with a compliant Summary of Rights in the event of an adverse underwriting decision.
- b. correctly calculate and fully pay sales tax, title, registration, air quality and other fees payable in the settlement of total losses.
- c. correctly identify the appropriate insuring company on claims related documents and correspondence.
- 2. Within 90 days of the filed date of this Order, Titan Indemnity Company shall submit to the Arizona Department of Insurance, for approval, evidence that TIC implemented corrections and communicated these corrections to the appropriate personnel, regarding the issues outlined in Paragraph 1 of the Order section of this Consent Order. Evidence of corrective action and communication thereof includes, but is not limited to, memos, bulletins, E-mails, correspondence, procedures manuals, print screens, and training materials.
- 3. The Department shall through authorized representatives, verify that TIC has complied with all provisions of this Order.
- 4. TIC shall pay a civil penalty of \$20,000.00 to the Director for remission to the State Treasurer for deposit in the State General Fund in accordance with A.R.S. §20-220(B). TIC shall submit the civil penalty to the Market Oversight Division of the Department prior to the filing of this Order.

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> Christina Urias Director of Insurance

# **CONSENT TO ORDER**

- 1. Titan Indemnity Company has reviewed the foregoing Order.
- 2. Titan Indemnity Company admits the jurisdiction of the Director of Insurance, State of Arizona, neither admits nor denies the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and consents to the entry of the Order.
- 3. Titan Indemnity Company is aware of the right to a hearing, at which it may be represented by counsel, present evidence and cross-examine witnesses. Titan Indemnity Company irrevocably waives the right to such notice and hearing and to any court appeals related to this Order.
- 4. Titan Indemnity Company states that no promise of any kind or nature whatsoever was made to it to induce it to enter into this Consent Order and that it has entered into this Consent Order voluntarily.
- 5. Titan Indemnity Company acknowledges that the acceptance of this Order by the Director of the Arizona Department of Insurance is solely for the purpose of settling this matter and does not preclude any other agency or officer of this state or its subdivisions or any other person from instituting proceedings, whether civil, criminal, or administrative, as may be appropriate now or in the future.

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Vice	President	of Titan Indemnity Compa	ny is aı	uthorize	ed to	enter i	nto
his Order fo	or them and on their	behalf.					

## TITAN INDEMNITY COMPANY

July A, 2010
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